

November 10, 2025

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RE: First Nations Tribal Parents Complaint of Racial Discrimination, Harassment, Denied Education, and Exclusion of Native American Students, and other National Origins Caucasian, Hispanic, Asian At New Century International Middle School In Fayetteville, North Carolina

Dear Honorable U.S. President Trump, U.S. Representatives, Governor Stein, and Representatives;

Greetings. First, I would like to thank you for the representation and hearing for the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina in Washington, DC before the United States Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. The Lumbee Tribe's federal recognition is long overdue before the United States and I am confident their Tribal Sovereignty will be upheld. Thank you.

I am writing this letter as a First Nations Tribal Parent to bring important matters before you to respectfully request your assistance for students who are abused in the middle school and daily face racial tribal discrimination, harassment, denied education, denied due process, bullying of tribal name, and exclusion. These First Nations Native American Students are in the New Century International Middle School in Fayetteville, North Carolina and these tribal students are federally and state recognized tribal citizens. My son, A. Iron Horse who is a federally recognized tribal citizen from Chippewa Cree, but is also a direct tribal descendant of the Lumbee Tribe.

These American Indian/Native American Students, and other National Origins of Caucasian, Hispanic, Asian Americans are abused in the middle school with discrimination, harassment, denied education, denied due process, bullying of tribal name, and exclusion by the Principal Gemette McEachern and her Assistant Principal Gail Kennedy at New Century International Middle School in Cumberland County Schools located in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

As a parent, I am respectfully requesting your assistance because nothing has been done at the local level to change or stop the abuse at New Century International Middle School despite the concerns and complaints made before Dr. Eric C. Bracy, the Superintendent of Cumberland County Schools.¹ According to the White House's Press Release, "Ending Radical Indoctrination in K-12 Schooling," by U.S. President Donald Trump, the Trump Administration will enforce the law to ensure that recipients of Federal funds providing K-12 education comply with all applicable laws prohibiting discrimination in various contexts and protecting parental rights, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI), 42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.; Title IX, 20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.; FERPA, 20 U.S.C. 1232g; and the PPRA, 20 U.S.C. 1232h.²

As this is Native American Month, I am also kindly asking for your assistance to exercise your authority, assistance, support, and Tribal Sovereignty for all the American Indian/Native American Students and other students in the Cumberland County Schools. My son and I are taking this opportunity of Native American Indigenous Month to speak out and to be heard against the ongoing abuse my son has received and how we have been silenced by the Cumberland County School and New Century International Middle School. Native Voices matters; specifically, the voices of our First Nations Tribal Youth who need to be heard today with so much abuse going on in schools consistently. No one ever takes the time to listen to our tribal youth and how the abuse in the schools impacts them.

On September 22, 2025, I attended a meeting with the Principal and she intentionally refused to add or modify any image on school publications to include American Indian/Native American

¹ (1) <https://archive.org/details/october-29-2025-parent-response-letter-to-principal-gemette-mc-eachern-new-centu>; <https://archive.org/details/10-28-2025-student-complaint-audio-statement-against-new-century-international-middle-scho>; (2) 10282025 Exhibits Complaint Threats Harrass By Assistant Principal Kennedy At New Century International Middle School : Student Email At New Century International Middle School; (3) October 2025 Parent Complaints at New Century International Middle School Cumberland County Schools NC Racial Tribal Injustices Against American Indian School Students The Fight For Tribal Sovereignty And Equal Education.

² The White House. See January 29, 2025. "Ending Radical Indoctrination in K-12 Schooling." U.S. President Trump. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/01/ending-radical-indoctrination-in-k-12-schooling/>

Students, and other National Origins Caucasian, Hispanic, Asian, etc. The Principal was very nasty and joked about the discrimination on top of all matters, while she stated that the African American child logo image with not be changed and it will solely even be used by her next year in 2026-2027, to spite and disregard American Indian/Native American Students, and other National Origins Caucasian, Hispanic, Asians Students who attend the school.

This was clear and very intentional racial discrimination and exclusion of American Indian/ Native American Students, and other National Origins Caucasian, Hispanic, Asians, etc. in the school. In fact, the Principal has even went far enough to create a school wall in the hallway with only African American images and no other race added to it. What rights to Native American Students have in the New Century International Middle School except for only a possible 30 day month in November; however, these Native American Students who are federal and state Tribal Citizens are pushed out and erased within the boundaries of the school in Fayetteville, North Carolina. This is a historical racial injustice against First Nations Tribal Citizens who attends schools in Cumberland County, North Carolina and the Principal Gemette McEachern at New Century International Middle School has made the matters worse for American Indian Students in her school by not adding any image or ideologies of our Tribal Students in the public school equally.

Pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and pursuant to the Equal Protection Clause of the United States Constitution, Principal Gemette McEachern has been discriminating against Non-African American Students on the basis of race and color, including Caucasian, Native American, Latino, and Asian students for months and this is against the law. Hasn't this country been historically divided enough without the School Principals excluding and discriminating against Native American Students, and other National Origins Caucasian, Hispanic, Asians, etc. because of their race and color?

With so much happening to Native American Students and other students from national origins, isn't it time that Public School Systems; specifically, Cumberland County Schools start to listen to the students and parents about the abuse received in the public schools by teachers and school administrators? Schools should take preventative measures to really look into the students and parents complaints and not just ignore them, while violating their Due Process like in Cumberland County Schools in Fayetteville, North Carolina. When my son spoke out about the abuse he has received in the New Century International Middle School, he and I were silenced by the school administration, and ignored by nothing being done about the ongoing abuse. Don't Native American Students and American Indian Parents have a right to be heard?

Native American students face erasure and exclusion in schools through discriminatory practices, a lack of culturally relevant curriculum, and negative portrayals of their heritage, leading to negative academic outcomes and feelings of disengagement. This "push-out" phenomenon results in lower graduation and enrollment rates for Native American students and stems from a history of assimilationist educational policies, such as the "Indian Boarding School System," and present-day systemic racism and microaggressions within public schools. The School often does

not recognize or value the Indigenous cultures, tribal histories, and knowledge that Native American/American Indian students exist in the educational learning environment in the public school. I am also asking for some assistance and if you investigate the matter and speak to someone who can help the Native American Students at the school to stop the discrimination and prejudice program information intentionally created by the Principal in the New Century International Middle School.

On September 22, 2025, the Principal at New Century International Middle School refused to stop the logo use for the school which clearly discriminates and prejudice all children who are Non-African American, in fact, when I spoke to the Principal about the use of the logo, she raised her voice at me as a Concerned Parent who is advocating for "all children" from all racial backgrounds, not just one race as she has done, and I am asking for students to have equality to have a safe and healthy learning environment. The Principal stated she will only use the African American image logo on the school public program information and refuse to change it.

The Principal clearly knew how this discriminated against all children who are not African American. The Principal refused to include the inclusion of any Caucasian, Native American, Latino, Asian, and other races on the public school program information (below) knowing that it was discriminatory when she created it and the Student-Parent Book child images (below), but only stated she will only use African American for the entire year and next year to without the inclusion of other races reflected and admitted. Further, the Principal was informed how this creates a divide in the school among the peers and Parents, instead of a neutral and safe learning environment in the school.



A. Iron Horse, A Native American Student at New Century International Middle School. Cumberland County Schools, North Carolina.

It appears the Principal has a personal agenda by discriminating and creating prejudice in the school and creates a difference between the student and community, when it should not.

Yesterday, I received a letter, where the Principal is also using the logo on address labels now to send letters out from the school using federal and state dollars. I spoke to the area Superintendent about the matter and she has basically "co-signed" on with the Principal to allow her to misuse use fund and to continue to create bias and prejudicial discrimination with the children and Parents with the school. Some Caucasian families remove their children from the school because of the prejudice and behaviors of the Principal in treatment of students of that specific racial group.

In November of 2025, these tribal students in the Cumberland County Schools continuously face opposition and the most persistent educational challenges in the county public school system with Racial Discrimination, Segregation, Harassment, Denied Education, Denied Due Process, and Exclusion. Many Native American Students in the Cumberland County Schools report how the school administrators are "unfair" and biased.

As an Tribal Parent, I can attest to the New Century International Middle School's racial tribal discrimination, segregation tactics, harassment, teacher retaliation, denied education, denied Due Process, and exclusion which has cause harm to my son who is a 6th Grader at the school who has special gifts from the Creator and depends on IEP accommodations to succeed.

The school has also failed to adhere to the IEP accommodations in place to help my son and apparently other students succeed with their educational needs. Whenever parent concerns and complaints are made, they are ignored by the school administration, like for example, on October 28, 2025, my 11 year old son was threatened by the Assistant Principal Gail Kennedy for not having an "Impact Aid Verification Form," and he was told he could not return back to school tomorrow unless he had it.

On October 29, 2025, because of the threat and denial of education by the Assistant Principal Kennedy at New Century International Middle School my son did not go to school.

The "Impact Aid Verification Form," which is only completed by federal military families; my family is not military or federally employed, but my son was still denied equal education access by way of a threat. The School Administration violated our Due Process and silenced my son, A. Iron Horse and I completed their own investigation into the matter without even speaking to me or my son, along with not even looking at any evidence I had which supports how my son was threatened by the Assistant Principal Gail Kennedy and denied his education access. This matter is still not resolved. The Cumberland County School System lacks support for Parents about complaints.

Similarly, this behavior by the Assistant Principal and Principal at the New Century International Middle School is a reminder of the history many tribal students received in the Indian Boarding Schools and public schools throughout the United States and in Canada.

To stop this repeat of history, with school generational trauma to children in history in public schools, I kindly ask for your assistance in this matter regarding our First Nations Tribal Youth Students in Cumberland County Schools in North Carolina, and to end the negative impacts efforts to end Tribal Sovereignty and eradicate Indigenous culture, history, and language in public schools. When our Native children are abused in public schools, it repeats generational trauma and the never ending history of harm and scarring to Native students, when the focus should be ensuring every student and child succeeds with education in school.

Cumberland County Schools, like other schools, receives millions of dollars from this federal Impact Aid Office in Washington, DC, but this does not give the Assistant Principal Kennedy the right to threaten my son and to deny his education the next day because he didn't have the form. Also, on October 29, 2025, the Principal of the school who was not even there when my son was threatened and denied education, wrote an email letter to "clean up" what her Assistant Principal did. At no point did the Principal or the school administration discipline or suspend the Assistant Principal Kennedy for what she did because she was a "buddy" "sister-like" and "a close friend" of the Principal, at which no Parent Complaints or nothing ever goes anywhere, even before the Middle School Superintendent Dr. Carver-Moore, because it appears she has a "sister-like" and "buddy-friend" relationship with the Principal Gemette McEachern who is overseen by Middle Superintendent Dr. Carver-Moore.

Dr. Carver-Moore, has never made any fair decision for the parents but allows the Principal to "end-run" the abuse and exclusion of Native Students at the school despite the school. In fact, on October 22, 2025, Dr. Carver-Moore tried to silence me, as First Nations Tribal Parent in a meeting before I tried to make my Parent Concerns none and raised the school's attorney as a way to silence me as an Tribal Parent advocating for my son and other tribal students rights to acknowledged in school publications and more within the school. How can an Middle Superintendent Dr. Carver-Moore oversee Principal Gemette McEachern when they are friends and it appears they have a "sister-hood"? Dr. Carver-Moore always takes up for Principal Gemette McEachern in all matters before me like she can do no wrong and Dr. Carver-Moore has not done anything to help matters at the school knowing the African American Logo Theme excludes all students, except for the African American race of students in the school.³

This could explain why parents' concerns are not being heard because she lets the Principal do anything she likes. For example, the continued abuse of funding goes on to date November 10, 2025 by allowing Principal Gemette McEachern to take her 8th Graders on a "Field Trip" at New Century International Middle School to the "Jump House" called Urban Air, an Indoor Trampoline Park.⁴ How is a school field trip to a "Jump House Trampoline Park" educational? What education is gained for students by going to a "jump house" on a school day and using federal school dollars to do so? This is a clear example of abuse of school funding. Then, the

³ EXHIBITS 1 10 RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AT NEW CENTURY INTERNATIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL
DISCRIMINATION AGAINST NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENTS EXCLUSION AND PREJUDICE AGAINST OTHER
RACES : FIRST NATIONS TRIBAL PARENTS.

⁴ [Ultimate Indoor Adventures & Trampoline Park](#). New Century International Middle School 8th Graders Goes to Jump House called Urban Air.

Principal will be asking for money from students and parents stating the school needs money like they have done already this year! The school didn't have any money for a football team this year. Could this be the reason why because of prior abuse of funding, or something else made up?

Is the abuse of funds allowed like this with federal and state funds appropriated for schools? Why is public state and federal school funds being allowed and approved to take students to the Trampoline Park, when it's not educational. Why not have the students stay at home for the day instead [Emphasis Added]! It's no oversight at the school and since this abuse is one of many by the Principal, many parents don't feel confident she should be the School's Principal any longer.

This Principal allows teachers to retaliate against students and parents, and continues to use logo themes which excludes students. The Cumberland County School administrators and theory lawyer feel this is okay for the Principal Gemette McEachern to abuse funding and to racially discriminate against students, to include threats and harassment to students.⁵ Why has anyone done anything to protect our First Nations Children? Why are federal and state funding used to abuse our children as students in Cumberland County Schools? Why is federal and state funding being abused by the Principal Gemette McEachern New Century International Middle School?

This abuse of funds just didn't start on November 10, 2025, but it started in the beginning of the school year when Principal Gemette McEachern approved a "African American Logo Theme" (Link Exhibits: 1-10) which racially discriminates and excludes Native American Students and other National Origins of students as Caucasian, Hispanic, Asian American in the New Century International Middle School in Fayetteville, North Carolina.⁶⁷

Are Native American Students and other students in the school safe? In 2023, Police criminal charges were filed against Lakisha Renee Davis, a former substitute teacher/coach at New Century International Middle School.⁸ Why wasn't nothing done about the oversight and who hired this teacher/coach? Wasn't the Principal Gemette McEachern or the School Administration who hired her supposed to provide oversight. Clearly, as the case was reported, there had to be "warning signs" along the way that no one in the school administration in New Century International Middle School wasn't paying attention too, and wasn't listening to the students about the teacher/coacher who committed the criminal acts against students. Nothing was done to the Principal or her administration for poor oversight which put students "at risk" and in harm.

⁵ Listen: 10 28 2025 A.I. Student Audio Statement Against Assistant Principal Gail Kennedy New Century International Middle School Tuesday At 02 56 27 : Parents Rights.

⁶ See <https://archive.org/details/exhibits-1-10-racial-discrimination-at-new-century-international-middle-school-d>

⁷ See <https://ncims.ccs.k12.nc.us/>. New Century International Middle School. Without anyone going into the entire School, no one would see all the African American Logo Theme usage throughout the entire school which excludes students.

⁸ Overton, Rodney. Posted: May 16, 2023. "Ex-substitute teacher facing indecent liberties with student charges, Cumberland Co. officials say." [https://www.fayobserver.com/story/news/crime/2025/08/20/since-2025-eight-people-who-worked-in-schools-in-cumberland-county-have-been-charged-with-crimes-who/85559161007/?gnt-cfr=1&gca-cat=p&gca-uir=true&gca-epi=z11----p119750c119750d00----v11xx64o11----b0074xxd117465&gca-ft=244&gca-ds=sophi](https://www.bing.com/search?q=lakeshia+davis+at+new+century+international+middle+school&gs_lcrp=EgRIZGdlKgYIABBFEGDkyBggAEEUyOagCALACAA&FORM=ANCMS9&PC=HCTS; Pierre, Joseph. 2025. Trial continued for substitute teacher charged in 2023 with offenses against children: <a href=)

Further abuse of funding was on September 16, 2025, when Principal Gemette McEachern approved her birthday campaign signs of about 10 through 15 advertising signs by the size of “12 x 8” in color with her front profile picture⁹ with the school's name used in the campaign signs that were stacked along the highway 7455 Century Circle Road distracting traffic and put at the entrance of the school. When has a School Principal ever advertised themselves to promote her birthday selfishly and also used the school's name in the campaign signs like this was okay, as the school Board of Education approved of this abuse and behavior?

According to Tribal Elders from federal and state tribes and tribal citizens from North Carolina, Montana, and North Dakota who reside in Cumberland County, North Carolina confirm that the tribal racial injustices, abuse, and discrimination to Native American Students in Cumberland County Schools has been going on over 50 years, and this is a continuous problem today in 2025.

As such, this is one of the reasons why I am writing to you because this abuse not only affects Native American Students, but overall all students in the school system. I am respectfully asking for your assistance and support to help stop this abuse to our First Nations Indigenous Children who are students who attend the Cumberland County Schools in North Carolina.

A letter of support and investigation will not only help stop the abuse to our First Nations Native Students, but will create a bridge for the next seven generations of Tribal Leaders to succeed with education excellence and cultural respect from Cumberland County Schools, as many federal and state tribal citizens are students in the public county school system.

As early as 6th Graders in middle school, like my son, A. Iron Horse, who is a federally recognized tribal citizen¹⁰ and direct tribal descendant of the Lumbee Tribe, have faced ongoing abuse by the Principal and Assistant Principal at New Century International Middle School, despite concerns made to the central office for the Cumberland County Schools. It appears when parents voice their concerns with a complaint, nothing is done about it at all, and the abuse escalates, leaving the children, as students hopeless and “pushed out,” at which the overall negativity from the school impacts their ability to succeed and to learn education.

Evidence of this is well documented and is also affirmed by the school according to an October 29, 2025 Letter by the Principal New Century International Middle School, which in parts states the school, “Has been designated as an *Additional Targeted Support & Improvement (ATSI) School* by the North Carolina State Board of Education.” “As an ATSI School, New Century International Middle School is required to develop an Additional Targeted Support and

⁹ McEachern, Principal Gemette. <https://ncims.ccs.k12.nc.us/o/nci/page/administration>. New Century International Middle School. Cumberland County Schools. 2025.

¹⁰ See Link: [October 2025 Parent Complaints at New Century International Middle School Cumberland County Schools NC Racial Tribal Injustices Against American Indian School Students The Fight For Tribal Sovereignty And Equal Education. : First Nations Parent Advocacy.](#)

Improvement (ATSI) Plan that specifically addresses how the school will improve outcomes for underperforming subgroups.”¹¹

Many Native American Students are segregated, discriminated against, denied equal education, harassed, denied due process, bullied, pushed out, and excluded by school administration officials, as to what I witnessed, as a Tribal Parent in the New Century International Middle School, whose administration is primarily African American, which doesn't properly represent the presence of a diversification standards, or the demographic reflection of the school population as a public international school.

To that end, can you please help the students at New Century International Middle School? I have attached two school documents which confirm the racial discrimination and bias logo usage treatment by the Principal New Century International Middle School.

Sincerely,

/s/ L. Reynaud Iron Horse

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Enclosures: Exhibits 1 and 2 (Attached Below)

[EXHIBITS 1 10 RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AT NEW CENTURY INTERNATIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL DISCRIMINATION AGAINST NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENTS EXCLUSION AND PREJUDICE AGAINST OTHER RACES : FIRST NATIONS TRIBAL PARENTS : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

[10 28 2025 A.I. Student Audio Statement Against Assistant Principal Gail Kennedy New Century International Middle School Tuesday At 02 56 27 : Parents Rights : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

[10 28 2025 2 Native American Student Complaint Statement of Abuse : FIRST NATIONS TRIBAL PARENTS : Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming : Internet Archive](#)

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¹¹ [October 29 2025 Additional Targeted Support & Improvement \(ATSI\) School Letter New Century International Middle School.](#)

**EXHIBIT 1: BACK TO SCHOOL INVITE SENT TO STUDENTS/PARENTS: NEW CENTURY
INTERNATIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL: CUMBERLAND COUNTY SCHOOLS, NC.**



EXHIBIT 2: PARENTS/STUDENT HANDBOOK 2025-2026: NEW CENTURY INTERNATIONAL
MIDDLE SCHOOL: CUMBERLAND COUNTY SCHOOLS, NC.

